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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement that was previously filed on September 12, 2006, Applicants hereby submit a copy of a Supplementary European Search Report dated January 8, 2009 with respect to patent family member European Patent Application. No. 04819818.8, in which no document was cited.

Applicants submit that no fee or certification is required to ensure consideration of the submitted material, as no prior art was cited in the Supplementary European Office Action. Nevertheless the Examiner is respectfully requested to review the European Examiner's comments with respect to the European claims.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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